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MEMORANDUM FOR: 

Chief, Commodity Markets Branch, OGI

## FROM:

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## SUBJECT:

Federal Service Retirement Changes

## REFERENCE:

Memo to DCI, DDCI, DDI, DDA fm C/CMB/OGI, dtd 11 Feb 85,  
Same Subject (DDI 00795-85)

1. Thanks for your memorandum concerning the proposed changes in Federal retirement programs. I can assure you that there are many people in the Agency that share your concern. Not all of these are people like yourself with many years to go before retirement, but the senior management, who are currently qualified for retirement, want to insure that "your contract" with the government is honored. Although the DCI and DDCI may speak for themselves in answering your memo, I do want to reassure you that they too are deeply interested that we do not get wrapped up with the rest of the government in the proposed changes. Both of them have been actively involved in trying to help solve this problem.

2. I am sorry that the Employee Bulletin gave the impression that those of us under CSRS might be sacrificed for CIARDS. I wish to assure you that that is not the case. As you can imagine, the case for the status quo for CIARDS may be easier than for CSRS, but I believe we can make a good case for both.

3. My advice to you and others in your category is to "hang in there." We know there must be supplemental legislation for those entering on duty since January 1984 and who are under Social Security. The rest of the picture is very fuzzy and the most action on the subject seems to be coming from The Washington Post. This is not to say we shouldn't have a plan of action and be prepared.

4. Thanks again for writing about your concerns and for including me as an addressee. My advice is to remain calm--we will overcome!

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